

Workshop de Investimento

Energia Sustentável na Guiné-Bissau

Guinea Bissau Sustainable Energy Investment Workshop















Minister of Energy, Industry and Natural Resources of Guinea Bissau invites the private sector to invest in sustainable energy in Guinea Bissau

ALER – Lusophone Renewable Energy Association, in partnership with the Ministry of Energy, Industry and Natural Resources of Guinea Bissau, UNIDO – United Nations Industrial Development Organization, ECREEE – ECOWAS Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency, and supported by GEF - Global Environment Facility, have organized the "Guinea Bissau Sustainable Energy Investment Workshop" in Lisbon on May 4.

During the opening session, the Minister of Energy, Industry and Natural Resources of Guinea Bissau highlighted the importance of the Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL) Investment Prospectus "we now have a concrete tool to discuss with interested investors and financiers our priority projects leading to SEforALL". The commitment of the Minister was clear in his speech "I will work towards the creation of a proper investment framework for all companies to invest in sustainable energy in Guinea Bissau" adding that "Guinea Bissau wants to electrify the whole country but that won't be possible without private sector's support".

The President of ALER, Miquelina Menezes, pointed out the fact that "Guinea Bissau has several ongoing initiatives that are transforming the country in a market with several opportunities for sustainable energy investment , namely, the support from Government partners to improve the regulatory framework, the development of national plans and strategies that set ambitious targets, the detailed identification of potential projects and available financing and last but not least the three solar mini-grids of Bambadinca, Contuboel and Bissorã".

Christine Eibs Singer, senior advisor to SEforALL, emphasized that "according to the data of the just released Tracking SDG7: The Energy Progress Report, Guinea Bissau has a 15% electrification rate and 2% access to clean cooking, so there is still a lot to do in the country".

Martin Lugmayr from UNIDO stated that "Guinea Bissau is the CPLP and CEDEAO pioneer country in mini-grid implementation, having the major mini-grids in both regions" and has also left the invitation for "all investors, financiers and technology providers to participate in the Guinea Bissau Sustainable Energy International Conference scheduled to take place from 6 to 7 December 2018 in the capital of Bissau".

During the workshop, more than 80 Delegates were informed on the national strategies and plans for the sector, namely the National Renewable Energy Action Plan for Guinea Bissau (NREAP), National Energy Efficiency Action Plan for Guinea Bissau (NEEAP), Sustainable Energy for All Action Agenda for Guinea Bissau (SEforALL AA), and the Sustainable Energy for All Investment Prospectus for Guinea Bissau (SEforALL IP).

The main conclusions of the "Guinea Bissau Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Status Report" that will be launched at the International Conference in December, were also presented, together withrelevant renewable energy projects in Guinea Bissau, in particular the Regional Off-Grid Electrification Project (ROGEP), ECOWAS



www.aler-renovaveis.org



geral@aler-renovaveis.org















Renewable Energy Facility (EREF), Saltinho hydropower plant, Bissorã PV mini-grid, Bissau PV power plant, Bambadinca PV mini-grid and Gardete PV power plant.

Included in the 2018 SEforALL Forum, this workshop was organized under the project "Promoting investments in small to medium scale renewable energy technologies in the electricity sector of Guinea Bissau", with the objective to promote south-south energy cooperation between Guinea Bissau and other Portuguese speaking lusophone countries and the execution of the SDG-7 (SE4ALL) campaign for Guinea Bissau.

All the presentations and speeches are available <u>here</u>.
All the plans and strategies presented (NREAP, NEEAP, SEforALL AA and SEforALL IP) are available <u>here</u>.
"Tracking SDG7: The Energy Progress Report" is available <u>here</u>. <u>.</u>

Press Contact:

ALER – Susana Pinto, Communication Assistant susana.pinto@aler-renovaveis.org | 211 379 288

Save the date:



Conferência Internacional

Energia Sustentável na Guiné-Bissau

Guinea Bissau Sustainable Energy International Conference

























